IMPORTANCE

Mungbean is an annual, short season crop containing 20-25% protein, 48 - 63% carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals. Used for intercropping, relay or rotation cropping and green manuring. It requires less amount of nitrogen fertilizer because of nitrogen-fixing bacteria. Also a substitute feed for poultry and livestock.

USES

It is cooked in various food preparations as vegetable dish and snacks or desserts. It also serves as a raw material in sotanghon manufacture

STORAGE

Maybe stored in sacks, six months storage under room T - 12% MC or lower and longer than six months - 10% or lower

ALL ABOUT MUNGBEAN

AVAILABLE VARIETIES

- Mg 50-10A (Wonder Mungo)
- BPI Mg9 (Taiwan Green)
- PSB Mg2 (Mabunga)
- PSB Mg3 (Ginintuan)
- PSB Mg6 (Centennial Mungo)
- NSIC Mg 11 (Kintab)
- NSIC Mg 14 (Kulabo).
- NSIG Mg 15C (Kinang)
- NSIG Mg 16 (Mabunga 3)
- NSIG Mg 17 (Mabunga 4)

SUGGESTED CULTURAL PRACTICES

- 1. A well-drained loam or sandy loam with soil pH of 5.5 to 6.2.
- 2. Prepare the land thoroughly with 2 to 3 times alternate plowings and harrowing for good seed germination and weed control.
- 3. Prepare furrows 50-60 cm apart and 4-6 cm deep.
- 4. Can be planted during the wet (May-June), dry (September to October) and late dry (February-March) seasons.

- 5. Sow 15-18 seeds/linear meter or 18-20 kg/ha with a distance of 50-60 cm between rows.
- 6. Apply 3-4 bags/ha of complete fertilizer at planting time.
- 7. Shallow off-barring is done on the 2nd week after planting followed by spot weeding. Hilling-up is done at the fourth week after planting. Use of herbicide in combination with cultivation is effective in large scale production.

HARVESTING

It may be done 2 to 3 times by priming or hand picking 60 to 65 days after planting. Yields 1.0 to 1.5 mt/ha.

> Source: Plant Industry Production Guide Bureau of Plant Industry

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